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USD's Corporate Associates' 1992 luncheon series kicks off on Thursday, January 23, with guest speaker Robert E. Wycoff, president and chief operating officer of ARCO, on "California's Economic Outlook: Still the Golden State?"

Wycoff, Vice Chairman of the California Business Roundtable, oversaw production of the Roundtable's second annual California Business Climate Survey which was presented to Gov. Pete Wilson in November.

The luncheon will take place at 11:30 a.m. in USD's Hahn University Center. For further information, call 260-4690.

****SEXUAL HARASSMENT OF FEMALE NAVY OFFICERS IS FOCUS OF NEW STUDY**

"Nearly two of every three women in the military report that they have been sexually harassed, a figure which exceeds that of the federal government by more than 20 percent."

This finding helps introduce a startling new study entitled "The Effect of Sexual Harassment on Female Naval Officers," a USD doctoral dissertation by Navy Cmdr. Kay Krohne (Ret.).

Krohne's research included extensive interviews with female Navy officers who reported being sexually harassed. She has found that, because of a combination of factors -- among them, alcohol abuse, a "macho" tradition, and restricted job assignments for women -- the Navy has made far less progress in eradicating sexual harassment than it has in curbing drug abuse and racism.

Krohne, a former commanding officer and executive officer, was the first American woman selected for the Royal Navy Staff College in Greenwich, England. She resides in Coronado.

****NEW STATE LAW SAYS LANDLORDS NOW RESPONSIBLE FOR PHONE HOOKUPS**

1992 has brought good news for California renters, who comprise 50 percent of all residents in the state. Starting January 1, landlords must provide renters with at least one working phone jack and must maintain their properties' inside telephone wiring in good working order.

The new law, Senate Bill 841, helps dispel the confusion caused by telephone deregulation over who is responsible for inside phone wiring in a rental property. "The new law also recognizes that, in the modern world, telephone service is as essential as electricity, plumbing and heat," says Beth Givens of



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the Center for Public Interest Law at USD's School of Law.

The CPIL is distributing brochures in English, Spanish and several Asian languages which explain the new law. The free brochures, developed by CPIL under a project funded by the California Public Utilities Commission's Telecommunications Education Trust, also describe low-cost home phone system repair options. Consumers can order the brochures by calling 221-7918.

****GRAD STUDENT HELPS RESURRECT GHOST MINING TOWN ON STATE BORDER**

Most graduate students of history study the past. Debbie Stetz is living it.

Stetz belongs to the Friends of Rhyolite, an historic preservation group working to resurrect the ghost mining town of Rhyolite, Nev. Over the weekend of January 18-19, the group will stage its first-ever Living History Festival to acquaint the public with Rhyolite's golden past.

Established near the California border in 1905, Rhyolite was Nevada's second largest city before it went bust in the early 1910s. In its heyday, Rhyolite boasted a three-story bank building, a newspaper (the Rhyolite Herald), a swimming pool, and a train depot that handled three railroad lines. Its best known landmark, saloonkeeper Tom Kelley's "Bottle House," was made from 50,000 mortar-filled beer and liquor bottles -- and is still standing.

Stetz became acquainted with the Friends of Rhyolite last summer while working as a National Park Service ranger at Death Valley National Monument. Aside from serving as the group's secretary, she also conducts research on descendants of Rhyolite, elderly people who remember growing up in the mining town.

"The more I learn about Rhyolite, the more I respect the quality of life its townspeople had," says Stetz. "I guess part of the reason we want to keep the town alive is that we want to hold on to those values."

For information on these or other activities at the University of San Diego, please contact the News Bureau, 260-4682.